

REMARKS

This application has been amended so as to place it in condition for immediate allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

The Official Action states that the application is in condition for allowance except for a number of formal matters. As requested, applicant has carefully reviewed the claims and amended the same as necessary in order to address the concerns raised in the Official Action.

In light of such amendments and the stated allowability of the claims, applicant believes the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions or requires further clarification of any of the above points, the Examiner may contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below so that this application may continue to be expeditiously advanced.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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